

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventor(s):	Bruce HORTON, et al.	Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SETTLING TRANSACTIONS ON AN ERODING BASIS
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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the first Office Action mailed December 21, 2007 in the above case, please consider the remarks which follow.

Amendments to the **Claims** begin on page 2 hereof.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 hereof.